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This letter is to express my support of the DOE Preferred Alternative in the draft EIS. The Wahluke Slope should be preserved for as a wildlife refuge. I would also recommend the following additions to the plan:

- 1. The scope of the protection status should be enlarged to encompass all the public lands including the Wahluke Slope, the Hanford Reach, the Hanford Reach Islands, the McGee ranch and the Arid Lands Ecology Reserve.
- 2. Absolutely no grazing should be permitted. Past history has proven that grazing and wildlife protection are incompatible.
- 3. Restrict all mining operations to those essential to completing cleanup.

Thank-you for your consideration. I look forward to taking my son to visit a relatively "natural" Upper Columbia River ecosystem.

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